

## Health and Safety Executive (HSE)

### Guidance published in support of domestic legislative change

RPC rating: **Validated**

#### Description of proposal

The assessment outlines changes to two separate pieces of guidance related to the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM) and the Dangerous Goods in Harbour Areas 2016 (DGHAR). Changes to CDM guidance updated the FAQs section, whilst DGHAR guidance was introduced alongside a code of practice.

Costs associated with initial familiarisation and ongoing referral to both guidance documents were estimated in the original impact assessments submitted for both the CDM and DGHAR regulations. This assessment assesses the actual changes HSE has made to the two guidance documents and tests whether there are any burdens or savings relative to the original cost estimates.

#### Impacts of proposal

For the CDM changes, HSE notes that FAQs section is 700 words in length. Applying a reading speed of 200 words per minute (as outlined in BRE guidelines), the submission estimates that the section would take around 4 minutes to read. This is within the range of time estimates outlined in the original IA.

Similarly, HSE notes that the DGHAR guidance (including the code of practice) is 28,000 words in length, which would take around 140 minutes to read at 200 words per minute. This is within the range of time estimates provided in the original IA.

#### Quality of submission

The submission is clear, concise and proportionate. It provides sufficient evidence to verify that the costs associated with guidance documents were adequately captured in the original IAs. The additional detail provided on the volume of online traffic for the CDM guidance was especially helpful.

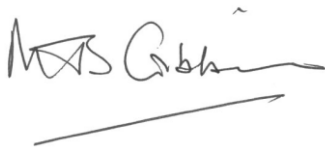
#### Departmental assessment

Classification	Qualifying regulatory provision
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Equivalent annual net direct cost to business (EANDCB)	Zero
Business net present value	Zero

### **RPC assessment<sup>1</sup>**

Classification	Qualifying regulatory provision
EANDCB – RPC validated	Zero
Business impact target score	Zero



**Michael Gibbons CBE, Chairman**

<sup>1</sup> For reporting purposes, the RPC validates EANDCB and BIT figures to the nearest £100,000